ST. JAMES PARISH

St. James residents are more concerned with economic development issues than with storm protection. They also strongly oppose rebuilding in high-risk areas and want reconstruction decisions to be guided by zoning and land use plans.

WHEN WILL WE RETURN?

75% Safer than before

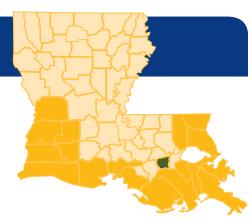
21% Same level of safety as before

% Move back now

WE TREASURE...

...our Acadian cultur<mark>e,</mark> quality of life and Cajun food. We need to preserve our

historic sites and sugar cane fields.



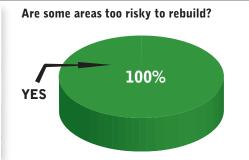
Effects of Rita and Katrina

St. James was moderately impacted by the storms with approximately 1,400 homes damaged. St. James experienced an increase of 615 households and a 90% increase in unemployment claims.

PARISH TOP PRIORITIES:

- #1 Make reconstruction jobs/training more available
- #2 Build better levees & other hurricane protection
- #3 Attract new businesses to the area
- #4 Encourage development of new housing





WE STRONGLY AGREE

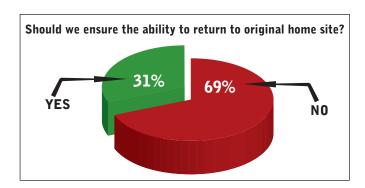
100% We should rebuild in low-risk areas first

93% Changing our parish plans is an option if it makes the region stronger.

93% Zoning and land use plans should be used to guide recovery

85% Public buildings should not be rebuilt in high-risk areas

70% We should prioritize flood protection over other needs



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